

**MINUTES OF A FINANCE MEETING OF THE COUNTY OF HANCOCK, STATE OF ILLINOIS, HELD IN
THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE IN THE CITY OF CARTHAGE ON SEPTEMBER 8, 2022**

The meeting was called to order by chairman Wayne Bollin at 9:02 a.m. Members in attendance included Mark Hanson, Mark Menn, Tom Bergmeier, Dennis Castlebury, Janet Fleming, Harry Douglas, and Wayne Bollin. Delbert Kreps was absent. Visitors included Doug Diprima, Holly Wilde-Tillman, Kris Pilkington, Keith Krohe, Travis Duffy, and Stephanie Swisegood was in attendance to take minutes of the meeting.

Mr. Krohe discussed the 2022 health plan in comparison to 2021. The consensus is to take this out of reserve. Mr. Diprima stated his dentist office has been trying to get in touch with the insurance company since the end of July and nobody has called them back. Mr. Krohe will look into this. Mr. Krohe left at 9:14 a.m.

Mr. Duffy stated that Southeastern School would like a full-time school resource officer. They would be willing to contract with the sheriff's office to pay wages and expenses associated with getting an officer there. An officer would need to be hired for this position. This could be used for school zone traffic, bus routes, anything happening within the school, DCFS cases, sexual assaults. The contract with Warsaw School is up and they would like to lock it in for 4 more years. There will be a bailiff at the courthouse from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. every day.

Ms. Pilkington went over the financial report. The printer in her office is obsolete. You can no longer get replacement parts for it. She proposed buying a Ricoh MPC2004. If she orders it before October 1 she will get a \$750 rebate with an estimated cost of \$3700, and after October 1 there will be a 9% increase. Mr. Menn made a motion for the treasurer's office to purchase a Ricoh IMC2500 out of contingency and possibly out of ARPA. Mr. Hanson seconded. All members present voted "aye".

Finance had met with Jeff Dedey about IT for the courthouse. He is willing to take a view of the courthouse and bring some recommendations back to the board of what can be done. This will cost \$35/hour to be taken out of contingency.

Discussion regarding the long-distance service for 911 ensued. We are still on Frontier, and our bill was over \$500 this month.

Ms. Wilde-Tillman gave a proposal for TextMyGov. This can be used for election judges, supervisors. It is a way to get messages to a large group of people at the same time. The sheriff's office could use this in cases of emergency, bad weather, etc. She has convinced the company to drop the implementation fee of \$2750, and this will cost \$5500/year. It was suggested that she sit down with Mr. Dedey to see if he has any alternatives. Ms. Pilkington left at 10:08 a.m.

Ms. Wilde-Tillman informed the committee that after December 1 there will no longer be any births in Hancock County. Stark County is giving her 8 cases. She is going to pick those up on September 9. She may also be getting 8 M100 machines but the clerk needs to speak with her board to see if this is okay. Ms. Wilde-Tillman has a quote from Kirby Fecht about storage at his facility. This will cost \$500/month. She has talked to other places on the square, the bank, etc. This is her only option for now. Mr. Diprima

stated that they have an extra room at the ambulance building. They could move the stuff out of this room and put a lock on the door.

Justin from MTC called. He stated he is waiting on Indigital to get their work done before he can get the 911 phones hooked up. Indigital needs to get approval from their manager and give MTC the information they need, and MTC can then proceed.

Mr. Douglas made a motion to pass the resolution setting the salary of the circuit clerk at \$60,340. This is following the treasurer and county clerk salaries. Mr. Menn seconded. Mr. Bergmeier voted no, all others voted "aye". Motion carried.

The next budget meeting is set for Thursday, September 15, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. Ms. Wilde-Tillman will meet at 7:00, Ms. Livingston will meet at 8:00, and Mr. Duffy will meet at 8:30. Ms. Wilde-Tillman left at 10:55 a.m.

Mr. Spurgeon emailed Mr. Menn. The first step is a request for a bid for the appraisal. Then we accept the bid and they order the appraisal. Ms. Wilde-Tillman is working on this. Mr. Diprima left at 10:59 a.m. Mr. Bergmeier left at 11:15 a.m.

Claims were gone over. Motion to pay all claims except for 2 that did not have a receipt was made by Mr. Castlebury. This was seconded by Mr. Menn. All members present voted "aye".

Motion to recess until September 15th at 7:00 p.m. was made by Mr. Douglas with Mr. Hanson seconding. All members present voted "aye". Meeting adjourned at 11:24 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie Swisegood

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stephanie Swisegood". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.